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Dear Family and Friends,



School's In Session for 2014

To give you an idea of the challenge we have in providing care and education for the 117 South Sudanese refugee children, just multiply by an average of \$80/student/month.

CAP supporters have sent funds for this purpose faithfully. Thank you for trusting us to use it wisely.

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We have renewed reasons to provide care and protection for the children. The BBC World News reports on the recent crisis of political and tribal conflict in South Sudan. Thousands of people fled their homes; children are hiding in the bush. But, reconciliation may soon be in sight so pray and pray! Click here to read more. <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world/africa/">http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world/africa/</a>

On a more personal front, fighting broke out in the village of Maar, South Sudan where Pastor John grew up. His mother, very old and vision impaired, was unable to run as all of the others did. She hid alone in the village in her grass hut and miraculously survived the attack. Also, Pastor John receives phone calls often asking him to accept more children into Kenya where our children's homes are located. Sadly we are not able to take more children and need help to care for the ones we have.

Continuous care of 117 children may not sound as exciting as a special project like building something or well drilling, but we can only expand when we are faithful to care for what we have. God will see to it, "if we are faithful with little, he will give us rule over much." Matthew 15:21 (Parable of Talents)

I know God will increase the ministry because He hears the cry of many more precious children. He will use us and others to accomplish His will on earth. Let us say "choose me Lord, I will go for you!"

# Garang Family A Decade of Friendship

It was ten years ago, Jan. 2004, that the team, now CAP's board, first met John A. Garang. As a new Bungoma Bible School grad, we prayed about his future and his country of South Sudan. Little did we know what a great time of friendship and service to God we would enjoy.

Here is a recent picture of John, his wife Tabitha, and their children. Their son, Israel, was just released from the hospital this past week. He drank liquid



Pastors John & Tabitha Garang Shalom & Israel

soap and also had a high malaria count. Curious little boys can sure upset a mother and father. Their daughter, Shalom, is doing well in school which makes her parents very proud! They consider receiving an education such a privilege.

Parenting their children, pastoring a growing church, and overseeing the other 117 refugee children from South Sudan prove to be a life full of hard work but great joy.

CAP provided
Christmas meals for
about 200 children.
Each group enjoyed
an extra special treat
that day to celebrate.

Pastor John butchered an entire cow for his group of 117.

Pastor Davidson shared food from his home on Mt. Elgon for 50 children including a piece of candy for each of them!

Bishop O'Gara's group of 30 ate at a restaurant and visited a park again this year.

The pastors and children thank all of you so much for helping them have their celebrations!!



Anita and Dixie enjoyed spending time in ministry and fellowship this past trip to Kenya. One afternoon they served a lunch consisting of bread and a banana to 450 kids!!



Children gathered at Pastor John's Church

### More of Pastor John's Children Caring for One Another



Here are some our sweet little people in Moi's Bridge, Kenya. Some are Kenyan, some are Sudanese, but we love them all. We endeavor to care for them spiritually, mentally, emotionally and physically. Pastor John and Tabitha have their hands full, but they never complain and are committed for the long haul.

Pastor John teaches the children that to love and serve God is the greatest joy on earth. He desires to see each of the children graduate from high school. He hopes to see this group of children help rebuild the country of South Sudan. What a vision!! Join us wholeheartedly.

## Remembering Mama Doris

February 24, 1925 - December 19, 2013

Doris Stotlar, missionary to Kenya and founder of Bungoma Bible School, was laid to rest December 30, 2013. Mama Doris, as everyone called her, came to Christ at age 50. In 1987 she moved to Kenya and began her ministry that helped transform the nation. Graduates from the Bible School she founded are serving in ministries throughout



Kenya and East Africa. Anita Currier (pictured here with Mama Doris) and Dixie visited with her this past summer during the trip to Kenya.

Thank you everyone for your support in 2013. Gift receipt letters will be mailed soon. All gifts are tax deductible. Pray for South Sudan and all the children in our care.

Gratefully yours,

Dixie Koch Children Are People, Inc.